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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131 TO ESTABLISH COMPLETION OF THE INVENTION OF THIS APPLICATION IN THE UNITED STATES AT A DATE PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 21, 1999

I. Remi Swierczek, declare:

- That I am the inventor in the instant United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/680,172, (1) filed October 5, 2000, and that I have read the specification including the claims of this application and are familiar with the contents thereof.
- That I have read U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2002/0023020 A1 to Kenyon (hereinafter (2) "Kenyon"), having a filing date of July 13, 2001, and claiming priority through a chain of patent applications beginning with provisional application No. 60/155,064, filed on September 21, 1999, and am familiar with the contents the Kenyon application.
- That, appended to this Declaration, is Exhibit A as identified below: (3) Exhibit A - Copy of a letter dated April 27, 1999 authorizing a search on the Music Identification System from Mark A. Watkins of the firm of Oldham & Oldham Co., L.P.A. (now Hahn Loeser & Parks, LLP) which substantially describes the present invention in the second paragraph of the letter.

- (4) That, appended to this Declaration, is Exhibit B as identified below:

 Exhibit B Copy of a Patentability / Search Report **dated May 20, 1999** for Music Identification

 System from Mark A. Watkins of the firm of Oldham & Oldham Co., L.P.A. (now Hahn Loeser & Parks, LLP) which substantially describes the present invention in the third paragraph of the report.
- (5) That the instant application provides a music identification system and method.
- (6) That the invention concept described in Exhibits A and B describes the music identification system substantially as described and claimed in the instant application.
- (7) That the invention concept described in Exhibits A and B and claimed in the instant application was conceived in Poland (a WTO member since 1995) sometime in the second half of 1998.
- (8) That the invention as described and claimed in the instant application was conceived prior to September 21, 1999, as evidenced by Exhibits A and B.
- (9) That the invention substantially as described and claimed in the instant application was constructively reduced to practice shortly thereafter with the filing of provisional application 60/158,087 on October 7, 1999, and 60/186,565 on March 2, 2000.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the U.S.C. and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

I, Robert J. Clark, declare:

- (1) That I am the practitioner in the instant United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/680,172, filed October 5, 2000, which claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application 60/158,087, filed October 7, 1999.
- (2) That shortly after May 20, 1999, I worked with the Mark Watkins (Reg. No. 33,813) and the Inventor Remi Swierczek to draft a provisional patent application which was eventually filed on October 7, 1999 as United States Provisional Patent Application 60/158,087.
- (3) That the time period between September 21, 1999 and October 7, 1999 is exactly two weeks.
- (4) That from May 20, 1999 until October 7, 1999, reasonable diligence was exercised to achieve a constructive reduction to practice of the invention.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements Appl. No. 09/680,172 Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.131

were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the U.S.C. and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.